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Firewood Permits Now Available

COLVILLE, WASH.–2015 personal use firewood permits on the Colville National Forest are now available for sale at all Colville National Forest offices and at the Spokane district Bureau of Land Management office in Spokane. Permits are \$5 dollars a cord with a 4 cord minimum (\$20.00) and a 12 cord maximum per household. To purchase a personal use firewood permit please visit your local ranger station.

In addition to being a cozy and cost-effective way to heat your home, cutting smaller diameter dead trees improves forest health across the Colville National Forest. Removing these trees reduces hazardous fuels along roadsides and provides younger trees with the light and space they need to grow.

Don't move your firewood over long distances. Moving firewood long distances can transport dangerous invasive pests. It's always best to buy it or cut it where you plan on burning it. For more info: http://www.dontmovefirewood.org/.

For more information about the Colville National Forest personal use firewood program or for the closest Colville National Forest office near you, please visit our website at http://www.fs.usda.gov/colville/ or call (509) 684-7000.

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